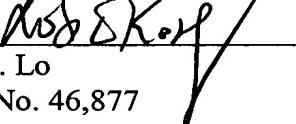


It is respectfully submitted that the present invention is new, non-obvious and useful.  
Prompt consideration and allowance of the pending claims is therefore respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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